

**Amendments To The Claims:**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

**Listing of the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) ~~An device for allowing secure identification of an individual when accessing information apparatus, comprising:~~  
a serial bus port;  
a controller coupled to the serial bus port; and  
a storage medium coupled to the a controller, wherein the storage medium ~~includes~~ is to store a unique identifier of the apparatus and security information ~~of an individual which can~~ to be accessed by the controller, and said security information includes a unique identification, ~~embedded into the device, to identify the device;~~  
~~a the controller coupled to the port and the storage medium to facilitate access of the security information of the individual in the storage medium- to record on the storage medium data identifying locations the apparatus and the individual have visited and to prevent the individual from modifying the data identifying locations as stored in the storage medium; and~~  
~~the controller, in response to a request, to provide the data identifying locations the apparatus and the individual have visited.~~
2. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the ~~serial bus~~ port comprises any one of a firewire port, USB port or an infiniband port.
3. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the storage medium comprises a memory.

4. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the security information comprises a plurality of levels.

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 4 wherein the plurality of levels comprises any combination of a level for providing ~~the~~ an identity of the individual, and a level for indicating where the ~~device~~ apparatus has been used.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~device~~ apparatus of claim 1 wherein the security information can be enhanced or modified by downloading data to the apparatus.

11. (Currently Amended) A system for allowing for secure identification of an individual when accessing information, comprising:

a central hub;

a plurality of key touchpoints coupled to the central hub; and

at least one device coupled to at least one of a plurality of key touchpoints, the at least one device comprising:

a serial port;

~~a controller coupled to the serial port; and~~

a storage medium coupled to ~~the~~ a controller wherein the storage medium ~~includes~~ is to store a unique identifier of the at least one device and security information of an individual which can to be accessed by the controller; ~~and said security information includes a unique identification, embedded into the device, to identify the device.~~

~~a the controller coupled to the serial bus port and the storage medium to facilitate access of the security information of the individual in the storage medium to record on the storage medium data identifying locations the at least one devices and the individual have visited and to prevent the individual from modifying the data identifying locations as stored in the storage medium; and~~

the controller, in response to a request, to provide the data identifying locations the apparatus and the individual have visited.

12. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the ~~serial bus~~ port comprises any one of a firewire port, USB port or an infiniband port.

13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein each of at least one touchpoints comprises a personal computer.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the storage medium comprises a memory.

15. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 11 wherein the security information comprises a plurality of levels

16. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 15 wherein the plurality of levels comprises any combination of a level for providing an identify of the individual, and a level for indicating where the at least one device has been used.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11 wherein the security information within a the at least one device can be enhanced or modified by downloading data to the at least one device.